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BEFORE THE  
BOARD OF PSYCHOLOGY  
DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS  
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Accusation Against:

Pamela Reagor, Ph.D.  
218 West Main Street, #202  
Tustin, California 92680

Psychologist's License No. PSY 3807

Respondent.

Case No. W-187

OAH No. L-2000070579

**DECISION AND ORDER**

The attached Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order is hereby adopted by the Board of Psychology of the Department of Consumer Affairs, as its Decision in the above entitled matter.

This Decision shall become effective on March 7, 2001.

It is so ORDERED February 5, 2001.

*M. R. Greenberg*  
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FOR THE BOARD OF PSYCHOLOGY  
DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS  
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14 **STIPULATED SETTLEMENT AND**  
15 **DISCIPLINARY ORDER**

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17 In the interest of a prompt and speedy settlement of this matter, consistent  
18 with the public interest and the responsibilities of the California Board of Psychology (the  
19 "Board"), the parties hereby agree to the following Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary  
20 Order which will be submitted to the Board for its approval and adoption as the final  
21 disposition of the Accusation.

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23 **PARTIES**

24 1. Complainant Thomas S. O'Connor is the Executive Officer of the  
25 Board of Psychology who brought this action solely in his official capacity and is  
26 represented in this matter by Bill Lockyer, Attorney General of the State of California, by  
27 Robert McKim Bell, Deputy Attorney General.

28 2. Respondent Pamela Reagor, Ph.D. ("Respondent") is represented in

1 this proceeding by attorney O. Brandt Caudill, Jr., whose address is Callahan, McCune &  
2 Willis, LLP, 111 Fashion Lane, Tustin, California 92780.

3 3. On or about June 19, 1972, the Board issued Psychologist's License  
4 Number PSY-3807 to Pamela Reagor, Ph.D. ("Respondent"). The Psychologist's License  
5 was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought herein.

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7 **JURISDICTION**

8 4. An Accusation in case number W-187, was filed before the Board on  
9 June 29, 2000, and is currently pending. The Accusation, together with all other statutorily  
10 required documents, was duly served on Respondent on June 29, 2000, and Respondent  
11 timely filed her Notice of Defense contesting the Accusation. A copy of Accusation No. W-187  
12 is attached as Appendix 1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

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14 **ADVISEMENT AND WAIVERS**

15 5. Respondent has carefully read and discussed with her counsel the  
16 nature of the charges in the Accusation and the effect of this Stipulated Settlement and  
17 Disciplinary Order.

18 6. Respondent is fully aware of her legal rights in this matter, including  
19 her right to a hearing on the charges in the Accusation, her right to be represented by  
20 counsel at her own expense, her right to confront and cross-examine witnesses against her,  
21 her right to present evidence and to testify in her own behalf and to the issuance of  
22 subpoenas to compel the attendance of witnesses and the production of documents, her  
23 right to reconsideration and court review of an adverse decision, and all other rights  
24 accorded by the California Administrative Procedure Act and other applicable laws.

25 7. Respondent voluntarily, knowingly and intelligently waives and gives  
26 up each and every right set forth above.

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1 **CULPABILITY**

2 8. Respondent understands that the allegations in the Accusation, if  
3 proven at a hearing, would constitute cause for imposing discipline upon her Psychologist's  
4 License.

5 9. For the purposing of resolving Accusation No. W-187 without the  
6 expense and uncertainty of further proceedings, Respondent agrees that, at a hearing,  
7 Complainant could establish a factual basis for the charges in the Accusation, and that  
8 Respondent hereby gives up her right to contest those charges.

9 10. Respondent agrees that her Psychologist's License is subject to  
10 discipline and she agrees to be bound by the Board's imposition of discipline as set forth in  
11 the Order below.

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13 **RESERVATION**

14 11. The admissions made by Respondent herein are only for the purposes  
15 of this proceeding, or any other proceedings in which the Board of Psychology or other  
16 professional licensing agency is involved, and shall not be admissible in any other criminal  
17 or civil proceeding.

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19 **CONTINGENCY**

20 12. This stipulation shall be subject to the approval of the Board.  
21 Respondent understands and agrees that Board's staff and counsel for Complainant may  
22 communicate directly with the Board regarding this stipulation and settlement, without notice  
23 to or participation by Respondent or her counsel. If the Board fails to adopt this stipulation  
24 as its Order, except for this paragraph the Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order  
25 shall be of no force or effect, it shall be inadmissible in any legal action between the parties,  
26 and the Board shall not be disqualified from further action in this matter by virtue of its  
27 consideration of this stipulation.

28 13. The parties agree that facsimile copies of this Stipulated Settlement

1 and Disciplinary Order, including facsimile signatures thereto, shall have the same force and  
2 effect as original Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order and signatures.

3 14. In consideration of the foregoing admissions and stipulations, the  
4 parties agree that the Board shall, without further notice or formal proceeding, issue and  
5 enter the following Disciplinary Order:

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7 **DISCIPLINARY ORDER**

8 **IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** that Psychologist's License Number PSY 3807  
9 issued to Respondent Pamela Reagor, Ph.D. is revoked. However the revocation is stayed  
10 and Respondent is placed on probation for five (5) years on the following terms and  
11 conditions.

12 1. **PSYCHOLOGICAL EVALUATION** Within 90 days of the effective  
13 date of this Decision and on a periodic basis thereafter as may be required by the Board or  
14 its designee, respondent shall undergo a psychological evaluation (and psychological  
15 testing, if deemed necessary) by a Board-appointed California-licensed psychologist.  
16 Respondent shall sign a release which authorizes the evaluator to furnish the Board a  
17 current DSM IV diagnosis and a written report regarding the respondent's judgement and/or  
18 ability to function independently as a psychologist with safety to the public, and whatever  
19 other information the Board deems relevant to the case. The completed evaluation is the  
20 sole property of the Board.

21 If the Board concludes from the results of the evaluation that respondent's  
22 ability to practice psychology safely is impaired due to mental illness, respondent shall  
23 immediately cease accepting new patients and, in accordance with professional standards,  
24 shall appropriately refer/terminate existing patients within 30 days and shall not resume  
25 practice until a board-appointed evaluator determines that respondent is safe to practice.  
26 During this suspension period, probation will be tolled and will not apply to the reduction of  
27 this probation period.

28 If ongoing psychotherapy is recommended in the psychological evaluation,

1 the Board will notify respondent in writing to submit to such therapy and to select a  
2 psychotherapist for approval by the Board or its designee within 30 days of such  
3 notification. The therapist shall 1) be a California-licensed psychologist with a clear and  
4 current license; 2) have no previous business, professional, personal or other relationship  
5 with respondent; 3) not be the same person as respondent's practice monitor. Frequency of  
6 psychotherapy shall be determined upon recommendation of the treating psychotherapist  
7 with approval by the Board or its designee; however, psychotherapy shall, at a minimum,  
8 consist of one one-hour session per week. Respondent shall continue psychotherapy until  
9 released by the approved psychologist and approved by the Board or its designee. The  
10 Board or its designee may order a re-evaluation upon receipt of the therapist's  
11 recommendation.

12 Respondent shall execute a release authorizing the therapist to provide to the  
13 Board any information the Board or its designee deems appropriate, including quarterly  
14 reports of respondent's therapeutic progress. Respondent shall furnish a copy of this  
15 Decision to the therapist. If the therapist believes the respondent cannot continue to  
16 independently render psychological services, with safety to the public, he/she shall notify  
17 the Board immediately.

18 Respondent shall pay all costs associated with the psychological evaluation  
19 and ongoing psychotherapy. Failure to pay costs will be considered a violation of the  
20 probation order.

21 2. EDUCATION REVIEW Respondent shall submit to an educational  
22 review concerning the circumstances which resulted in this administrative action. The  
23 educational review shall be conducted by a board-appointed expert case reviewer and/or  
24 Board designee familiar with this case. Educational reviews are informational only and  
25 intended to benefit Respondent's practice by preventing future such complaints.  
26 Respondent shall pay all costs associated with this educational review.

27 3. COURSEWORK Respondent shall take and successfully complete  
28 not less than 12 hours of coursework each year of probation in the following areas: dual

relationships, laws and ethics, and transference and counter-transference issues.

Coursework must be pre-approved by the Board or its designee. All coursework shall be taken at the graduate level at an accredited educational institution or by an approved continuing education provider. Classroom attendance is specifically required; correspondence or home study coursework shall not count toward meeting this requirement. The coursework must be in addition to any continuing education courses that may be required for license renewal.

Within 90 days of the effective date of this Decision, respondent shall submit to the Board or its designee for its prior approval a plan for meeting the educational requirements. All costs of the coursework shall be paid by the respondent.

4. INVESTIGATION/ENFORCEMENT COST RECOVERY Respondent shall pay the Board its costs of investigation and enforcement, liquidated in the amount of \$4,500, in five annual installments of \$900. Such costs shall be payable to the Board of Psychology. Failure to pay such costs shall be considered a violation of probation. The filing of bankruptcy by respondent shall not relieve respondent of the responsibility to repay investigation and enforcement costs

5. PROBATION COSTS Respondent shall pay the costs associated with probation monitoring each and every year of probation. Such costs shall be payable to the Board of Psychology at the end of each fiscal year (July 1 - June 30). Failure to pay such costs shall be considered a violation of probation. The filing of bankruptcy by respondent shall not relieve respondent of the responsibility to pay the costs associated with probation monitoring.

6. OBEY ALL LAWS Respondent shall obey all federal, state, and local laws and all regulations governing the practice of psychology in California including the ethical guidelines of the American Psychological Association. A full and detailed account of any and all violations of law shall be reported by the respondent to the Board or its designee in writing within seventy-two (72) hours of occurrence.

7. QUARTERLY REPORTS Respondent shall submit quarterly

1 declarations under penalty of perjury on forms provided by the Board or its designee, stating  
2 whether there has been compliance with all the conditions of probation.

3 8. PROBATION COMPLIANCE Respondent shall comply with the  
4 Board's probation program and shall, upon reasonable notice, report to the assigned District  
5 Office of the Medical Board of California or other designated probation monitor.  
6 Respondent shall contact the assigned probation officer regarding any questions specific to  
7 the probation order. Respondent shall not have any unsolicited or unapproved contact with  
8 1) complainants associated with the case; 2) Board members or members of its staff; or 3)  
9 persons serving the Board as expert evaluators.

10 9. INTERVIEW WITH BOARD OR ITS DESIGNEE Respondent shall  
11 appear in person for interviews with the Board or its designee upon request at various  
12 intervals and with reasonable notice.

13 10. CHANGES OF EMPLOYMENT Respondent shall notify the Board in  
14 writing, through the assigned probation officer, of any and all changes of employment,  
15 location, and address within 30 days of such change.

16 11. TOLLING FOR OUT-OF-STATE PRACTICE, RESIDENCE OR IN-  
17 STATE NON-PRACTICE In the event respondent should leave California to reside or to  
18 practice outside the State or for any reason should respondent stop practicing psychology in  
19 California, respondent shall notify the Board or its designee in writing within ten days of the  
20 dates of departure and return or the dates of non-practice within California. Non-practice is  
21 defined as any period of time exceeding thirty days in which respondent is not engaging in  
22 any activities defined in Sections 2902 and 2903 of the Business and Professions Code.  
23 Periods of temporary or permanent residency or practice outside California or of non-  
24 practice within California will not apply to the reduction of this probationary period., although  
25 the Board may allow respondent to complete certain terms of probation that are not  
26 associated with active practice.

27 12. EMPLOYMENT AND SUPERVISION OF TRAINEES If respondent is  
28 licensed as a psychologist, he/she shall not employ or supervise or apply to employ or

1 supervise psychological assistants, interns or trainees during the course of this probation.  
2 Any such supervisorial relationship in existence on the effective date of this probation shall  
3 be terminated by respondent and/or the Board.

4 13. FUTURE REGISTRATION OR LICENSURE If respondent is  
5 currently registered as a psychological assistant and subsequently obtains other  
6 psychological assistant registrations or becomes licensed as a psychologist during the  
7 course of this probationary order, respondent agrees that this Decision shall remain in full  
8 force and effect until the probationary period is successfully terminated. Future registration  
9 or licensure shall not be approved, however, until respondent is currently in compliance with  
10 all of the terms and conditions of probation.

11 14. VIOLATION OF PROBATION If respondent violates probation in any  
12 respect, the Board may, after giving respondent notice and the opportunity to be heard,  
13 revoke probation and carry out the disciplinary order that was stayed. If an Accusation or  
14 Petition to Revoke Probation is filed against respondent during probation, the Board shall  
15 have continuing jurisdiction until the matter is final, and the period of probation shall be  
16 extended until the matter is final. No Petition for Modification or Termination of Probation  
17 shall be considered while there is an Accusation or Petition to Revoke Probation pending  
18 against respondent.

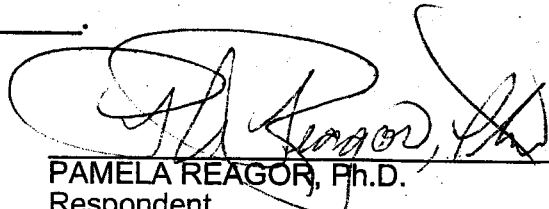
19 15. COMPLETION OF PROBATION Upon successful completion of  
20 probation, respondent's license shall be fully restored.

### 21 22 ACCEPTANCE

23 I have carefully read the above Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order  
24 and have fully discussed the terms and conditions and other matters contained therein with  
25 my attorney O. Brandt Caudill, Jr., I understand the effect this stipulation will have on my  
26 Psychologist's License. I enter into this Stipulated Settlement voluntarily, knowingly and  
27 intelligently and agree to be bound by the Disciplinary Order and Decision of the Board of  
28 Psychology. I further agree that a facsimile copy of this Stipulated Settlement and


1 Disciplinary Order, including facsimile copies of signatures, may be used with the same  
2 force and effect as the originals.

3 DATED: 12/14/00.

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5 PAMELA REAGOR, Ph.D.  
6 Respondent

7 I have read and fully discussed with Respondent Pamela Reagor, Ph.D. the  
8 terms and conditions and other matters contained in the above Stipulated Settlement and  
9 Disciplinary Order and approve its form and content.

10 DATED: 12/18/00.


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12 O. BRANDT CAUDILL, Jr.  
13 Attorney for Respondent

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15 **ENDORSEMENT**

16 The foregoing Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order is hereby  
17 respectfully submitted for consideration by the Board of Psychology of the Department of  
18 Consumer Affairs.

19 DATED: 21 December 2000.

20 BILL LOCKYER, Attorney General  
21 of the State of California

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23 ROBERT McKIM BELL  
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**Appendix 1:**  
**Accusation in Case Number W-187**

6/29/2000

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**ACCUSATION**

15 Psychologist's License No. PSY 3807,

16 Respondent

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18 Complainant alleges:

19 PARTIES

20 1. Thomas S. O'Connor ("Complainant") brings this accusation solely in  
21 his official capacity as the Executive Officer of the Board of Psychology, Department of  
22 Consumer Affairs.

23 2. On or about June 19, 1972, the Board of Psychology issued  
24 Psychologist's License Number PSY 3807 to Pamela Reagor, Ph.D. ("Respondent"). Said  
25 license remains in full force and effect.

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27 JURISDICTION

28 3. This Accusation is brought before the Board of Psychology ("Board"),

1 under the authority of the following sections of the Business and Professions Code  
2 ("Code").

3 4. Section 2960 of the Code provides that the Board may refuse to issue  
4 any registration or license, or may issue a registration or license with terms and conditions,  
5 or may suspend or revoke the registration or license of any registrant or licensee if the  
6 applicant, registrant, or licensee has been guilty of unprofessional conduct. Under Section  
7 2960 (j) of the Code, unprofessional conduct is defined to include being grossly negligent in  
8 the practice of his or her profession.

9 5. Section 2960 subdivision (p) of the Code provides that functioning  
10 outside his or her particular field or fields of competence as established by his or her  
11 education, training, and experience in unprofessional conduct.

12 6. Section 125.3 of the Code states, in pertinent part, that the Board may  
13 request the administrative law judge to direct a licentiate found to have committed a  
14 violation or violations of the licensing act to pay a sum not to exceed the reasonable costs  
15 of the investigation and enforcement of the case.

16 7. Section 2964.6 of the Code provides that an administrative disciplinary  
17 decision that imposes terms of probation may include, among other things, a requirement  
18 that the licensee who is being placed on probation pay the monetary costs associated with  
19 monitoring the probation.

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21 FIRST CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

22 (Gross Negligence)

23 8. Respondent is subject to disciplinary action under section 2960,  
24 subdivision (j) for gross negligence. The circumstances are as follows:

25 9. In or about September 1991, the Respondent commenced providing  
26 psychological counseling services to patient "T.S." who had previously been diagnosed with  
27 multiple mental illnesses. Respondent continued treating T.S. until on or about January 15,  
28 1995.

1                   10.     In the conduct of their professions, psychologists have an obligation to  
2 avoid secondary or dual relationships.

3                   11.     In the course of that treatment Respondent engaged in numerous  
4 activities characteristic of a dual relationship that blurred or eradicated appropriate  
5 professional boundaries between the client and therapist. These acts, which amount to  
6 gross negligence, consisted of the following:

- 7                   A.     She drove her client around town;
- 8                   B.     They had meals together;
- 9                   C.     They attended movies together;
- 10                  D.     They visited the same acupuncturist together to be treated for  
11 environmental contamination;
- 12                  E.     She allowed her patient to store personal items at her house and  
13 office;
- 14                  F.     She kept the patient's dog at her home;
- 15                  G.     They traveled together;
- 16                  H.     She gave her gifts, including a computer and digital telephone;  
17 On her birthday gave her a note containing the words "I love you" and a rose;
- 18                  I.     In sessions, touched the patient by placing her hand on the patient  
19 knee and her arm around her and, on one occasion, kissing her on the head;
- 20                  J.     They spent the night together on several occasions in Dr. Reagor's  
21 office;
- 22                  K.     Dr. Reagor became a cosignatory on a checking account containing  
23 the client's money; and
- 24                  L.     Dr. Reagor co-signed or guaranteed a lease enabling T.S. to rent a  
25 room in Orange County.

26                   12.     In the course of treatment medication-assisted "drug interviews" were  
27 conducted. On several occasions, Dr. Reagor dispensed drugs to T.S. and permitted an  
28 unlicensed and unqualified person to inject the patient with medication. Said conduct was

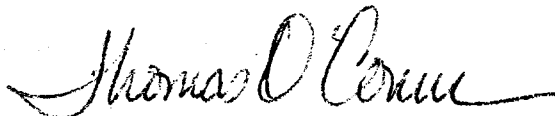
1 unlawful and was functioning outside her particular field or fields of competence, and  
2 constituted gross negligence.

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4 PRAYER

5 WHEREFORE, Complainant requests that a hearing be held on the matters  
6 herein alleged, and that following the hearing, the Board of Psychology issue a decision:

- 7 1. Revoking or suspending Psychologist's License Number PSY 3807,  
8 issued to Pamela Reagor, Ph.D.;
- 9 2. Ordering Pamela Reagor, Ph.D. to pay the Board of Psychology the  
10 reasonable costs of the investigation and enforcement of this case, and, if placed on  
11 probation, the costs of probation monitoring;
- 12 3. Taking such other and further action as deemed necessary and  
13 proper.

14 DATED: June 29, 2000.

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18 THOMAS S. O'CONNOR  
19 Executive Officer  
Board of Psychology  
Department of Consumer Affairs

20 State of California  
21 Complainant  
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DECLARATION OF SERVICE BY CERTIFIED MAIL

In the Matter of the Accusation Filed  
Against:

Pamela Reagor, Ph.D.

No. : W187

I, the undersigned, declare that I am over 18 years of age and not a party to the within cause; my business address is 1422 Howe Avenue, Ste. 22 Sacramento, California 95825. I served a true copy of the attached:

DECISION AND ORDER

by mail on each of the following, by placing same in an envelope (or envelopes) addressed (respectively) as follows:

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Each said envelope was then on, February 5, 2001, sealed and deposited in the United States mail at Sacramento, California, the county in which I am employed, as certified mail, with the postage thereon fully prepaid, and return receipt requested.

Executed on, February 5, 2001, at Sacramento, California.  
I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct.

Kathi Burns  
DECLARANT  
Kathi Burns  
Enforcement Coordinator